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SUBJECT: MIDDLE EAST NEGOTIATIONS

FOR AMBASSADOR EILTS FROM SISCO

PLEASE CONVEY THE FOLLOWING INFO TO FAHMI FOR HIM AND
PRESIDENT SADAT:

1. ON WEDNESDAY OF THIS WEEK, WE WILL ANNOUNCE THAT
SECRETARY WILL MEET GROMYKO JULY 10-11 IN GENEVA.
FAHMI WILL RECALL HE AND PRESIDENT SADAT HAVE PREVIOUSLY
BEEN INFORMED OF OUR INTENTION TO MEET WITH GROMYKO SOME-
TIME DURING THE FIRST HALF OF JULY. THIS IS, IN PRINCIPLE,
THE MEETING THAT WAS DECIDED UPON AT THAT TIME.

2. YOU SHOULD ALSO TELL FAHMI THAT WE WILL WISH TO
EXCHANGE IDEAS WITH THEM BEFORE MEETING ON HOW BEST TO
FOCUS OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH GROMYKO; SECRETARY WOULD
APPRECIATE FAHMI GIVING THOUGHT TO THIS OVER NEXT FEW

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DAYS. WE FEEL DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN US ON HOW BEST TO

HANDLE GROMYKO WILL BE MORE USEFUL EARLY NEXT WEEK AT WHICH TIME WE HOPE TO KNOW MORE CLEARLY WHERE MATTERS STAND WITH THE ISRAELIS.

3. IN ANY EVENT, YOU SHOULD ASSURE FAHMI THAT WE WILL NOT DISCUSS ANYTHING WITH THE SOVIETS WHICH WE HAVE NOT CHECKED PREVIOUSLY WITH HIM.

4. FOR AMBASSADOR EILTS: I SUGGEST YOU CONVEY THE ABOVE TO FAHMI AROUND 5 P.M. CAIRO TIME, JULY 1. I AM REPEATING THIS MESSAGE TO SECRETARY AND THIS WILL GIVE HIM SUFFICIENT TIME TO MAKE ADDITIONS OR AMMENDATIONS, IF ANY, HE MIGHT WISH TO MAKE TO THIS MESSAGE. INGERSOLL

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